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#### CAST:

THE DOCTOR ADRIC TEGAN NYSSA MASTER RUTHER

CASTROVALVANS (N/S)

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### SETS:

Ext. The Tardis out in space Int. A Tardis corridor Int. The corridor outside the zero room Int. The Master's Tardis Int. The Tardis Console room

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#### TELECINE:

Ext. A Narrow Path Through the Rocks

Ext. At the Edge of the Wood
Ext. In the Wood
Ext. Near the Stream

Ext. Near the Tardis Crash-Landing Area

Ext. The Other Side of the Stream Ext. The Tardis Crash-Landing Area

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Opening Titles:

END TELECINE 35mm

1. INT. THE TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM.
NO TIME.

(TEGAN LOOKS UP FROM THE SMALL VIEWER SCREEN)

TEGAN: Event 1.

NYSSA: A trap, Adric said. This is a Time Machine.

TEGAN: And we're rushing backwards through time. To the first event.

NYSSA: The creation of the Galaxy out of a huge in-rush of hydrogen. We're heading straight into the biggest explosion in History.

(THE TARDIS JOLTS, SO THAT THE GIRLS HAVE TO CLING TO THE WALLS. BUT THE WALLS ARE NOW VERY HOT)

### 2. INT. A TARDIS CORRIDOR. NO TIME.

(THE JOLTS ALSO SENDS THE DOCTOR SPINNING.

AND THEN THE TARDIS BEGINS TO SHAKE.

THE DOCTOR
REACHES OUT FOR
A HANDHOLD, THE
HANDLE OF A
NEARBY DOOR,
WHICH SWINGS
OPEN AS THE
TARDIS ROCKS.

THE DOCTOR'S
HEAD CONNECTS
WITH THE DOOR,
AND HE SLIDES
DOWN IT TO THE
GROUND, UNCONSCIOUS)

# 3. INT. THE TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. NO TIME.

(AS THE TARDIS LURCHES AGAIN, NYSSA INSTINCT-IVELY GRABS AT A LEVER ON THE CONSOLE.

THE BIG VIEWER SCREEN DOORS SLIDE OPEN.

TEGAN POINTS IN HORROR AT THE TARDIS SCREEN.

THE MASTER'S FACE LOOMS LARGE THERE, AND HE RAISES HIS HAND IN A FAREWELL GESTURE)

# 3A. INT. THE MASTER'S TARDIS. NO TIME.

(THE MASTER STANDS BEFORE HIS SCREEN)

MASTER: (LAUGHS) Farewell, my friends. Farewell for ever.

(BEHIND HIM WE SEE ADRIC CAUGHT IN THE GLITTERING WEB)

### 3B. INT. TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. NO TIME. AS BEFORE.

(THE GIRLS STARE AT THE SCREEN IN HORROR)

NYSSA: That face. I hate it.

TEGAN: We must do something.

NYSSA: There's only one thing we can do.

(NYSSA SLAMS HER HAND ON THE LEVER THAT OPENED THE VIEWER SCREEN, AND THE SCREEN SLIDES SHUT AGAIN)

TEGAN: And ...?

NYSSA: That's all.

TEGAN: All! Hogwash! We've found the Data Bank - we may be able to learn how to fly the machine.

(THE TARDIS GIVES ANOTHER ENORMOUS LURCH)

### 4. INT. A TARDIS CORRIDOR. NO TIME.

(THE SAME LURCH HAS TIPPED A CHROME AND GLASS MEDICAL TROLLEY OUT INTO THE CORRIDOR.

A PRECARIOUSLY PERCHED MEDICAL BOX ON ITS UPPER TRAY TOTTERS ABOVE THE DOCTOR'S HEAD.

THE DOCTOR STIRS, LIFTING HIS FACE FROM THE FLOOR.

THE MEDICAL BOX FALLS, HITTING HIM ON THE HEAD AND SCATTERING ITS CONTENTS OVER THE FLOOR.

THE DOCTOR PULLS
OFF A WAD OF COTTON
WOOL FROM A NEARBY
ROLL AND DABS AT
THE NEWLY
SUSTAINED CUT,
WHERE THE BLOOD
SHOWS RED ON HIS
FOREHEAD.

FURTHER MOTION OF THE TARDIS SENDS THE TROLLEY ROLLING AWAY DOWN THE CORRIDOR.

TRYING HARD TO
PULL HIMSELF
TOGETHER, THE
DOCTOR FUMBLES
AMONG THE PACKETS
OF PILLS AND
SMALL BOTTLES OF
LIQUID, RAISING
EACH IN TURN TO
HIS EYES TO
STUDY IT CAREFULLY,
TO SEE IF THERE IS
SOMETHING THAT CAN
HELP.

IN THE DISTANCE THE CLOISTER BELL TOLLS ON)

# 5. EXT. THE TARDIS OUT IN SPACE. NO TIME.

(MODEL SHOT.

THE TARDIS IS
NOW SHAKING
VIOLENTLY IN
SPACE, AS ALL THE
STARS OF THE STAR
FIELD BEGIN TO
CLOSE IN AROUND
IT)

### 6. INT. THE MASTER'S TARDIS. NO TIME.

(THE SAME SCENE APPEARS ON THE MASTER'S SCREEN.

ADRIC, IMPRISONED IN THE WEB, CAN ONLY STARE IN HORROR AT THE FATE OF THE TARDIS.

WE HEAR THE CHUCKLE OF THE MASTER, AND FIND HIM STANDING BENEATH THE WEB, LOOKING UP AT ADRIC)

MASTER: You must control these dangerous emotions, Adric. They only cause you pain.

(ADDRESSING HIMSELF TO THE SCREEN AS IT ZOOMS IN ON THE TARDIS)

Besides interfering with the reception. Now ... closer ...

### 7. INT. A TARDIS CORRIDOR. NO TIME.

(THE DOCTOR IS FINISHING LOOKING OVER THE DRUGS. HE HOLDS UP A SMALL BOTTLE LABELLED "THE SOLUTION")

THE DOCTOR: Ah, my little friend ... if only you were.

(AT THAT MOMENT, AS THE TARDIS SHIFTS AGAIN, OUT OF THE ROOM WITH THE OPEN DOOR ROLLS:

A MOTORISED WHEEL-CHAIR)

Transport of Delight!

#### 8. INT. THE MASTER'S TARDIS. NO TIME.

(ADRIC'S EMOTIONS ARE CAUSING SMALL WHITE STREAKS ON THE PICTURE.

THE MASTER TURNS TO ADRIC)

MASTER: You have something to say?

(HE CLOSES A SWITCH ON THE CONSOLE)

Well ...?

ADRIC: I'll fight you. I won't help you harm The Doctor.

MASTER: Such touching loyalty. But no match for my voltages.

(HE ADJUSTS A LEVER AND THE PICTURE CLEARS. HE MOVES ANOTHER LEVER AND THE SCREEN DISSOLVES INTO A BLUE MIST AS THE VIEWING DEVICE PENETRATES THE WALL OF THE TARDIS)

Closer, Adric. I want to see them.

(THE MASTER MOVES THE LEVER AGAIN, THE GLITTER OF VICTORY IN HIS EYES)

### 9. INT. A TARDIS CORRIDOR. NO TIME.

(THE DOCTOR IS ADVANCING TOWARDS US DOWN THE CORRIDOR IN THE WHEELCHAIR.

HE PAUSES AT THE TORN HALF-WAISTCOAT, PICKING IT UP TO EXAMINE IT. THEN HE LOOKS IN THE DIRECTION THE TRAIL IS LEADING)

THE DOCTOR: Go softly on ...

(HE ROLLS ON, AS WISPS OF SMOKE BEGIN TO WAFT THROUGH THE WALLS OF THE CORRIDOR)

### 10. INT. THE TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. NO TIME.

(TEGAN AND NYSSA ARE NOW TOGETHER TRYING EVERY SWITCH AND LEVER ON THE CONSOLE AS SMOKE GROWS DENSER IN THE CONSOLE ROOM)

NYSSA: You don't understand the physics of the situation. We're already caught in the field of Event One. It's pulling us in faster and faster.

TEGAN: Sort of gravity?

NYSSA: The Time Force. It's many orders of magnitude greater.

TEGAN: People escape from gravity all the time. We need some kind of rocket thrust. (CATCHING NYSSA'S EYE) All right, enormous thrust ... There must be some way the Tardis can do that.

NYSSA: But nothing's happening. The temperature's defeating the automatic controls ...

(AT THAT MOMENT
THE SMALL TARDIS DOOR
OPENS AND THE DOCTOR
AND ELECTRIC WHEELCHAIR ROLL IN)

TEGAN: Doctor!

NYSSA: You must go back!

THE DOCTOR: Smoke ... heat ... noise ... Adrenalin! Neuro-peptides ... The brain's working.

(NYSSA IS KNEELING IN FRONT OF THE DOCTOR, LOOKING AT HIM CLOSELY)

TEGAN: Neuro-peptides? What's he on about now?

NYSSA: The excitement's changing his bio-chemistry. It's only temporary, but perhaps he can help us.

TEGAN: Take him back immediately. It's not safe.

NYSSA: But the Doctor's our only chance. Unless we can find some way of getting the temperature down.

(THE DOCTOR SITS UP IN THE WHEEL-CHAIR, SUDDENLY COMPLETELY ALERT)

THE DOCTOR: Manual over-ride.

Nyssa ... I'll have to explain
how to vent the thermo-buffer
... Listen carefully. My
concentration may go again
any minute.

#### 11. INT. THE MASTER'S TARDIS. NO TIME.

(THE MASTER IS STANDING BENEATH THE WEB, WATCHING THE FOREGOING SCENE ON THE VIEWER.

HEARING A FAINT VOICE, HE GLANCES UP AT ADRIC)

ADRIC: Doctor ...!

MASTER: I sympathise. This is all too easy.

(HE TURNS BACK TO THE SCREEN, WHERE WE SEE TEGAN IS KNEELING IN FRONT OF THE DOCTOR, AND SEEMS TO BE PLEADING WITH HIM.

NYSSA WHO IS STANDING BY THE SIDE OF THE WHEELCHAIR.

NYSSA LEAVES A MOMENT OR TWO AFTER TEGAN STARTS TO PLEAD)

A great pity. These facile victories only leave me hungry for more conquest.

### 12. INT. A TARDIS CORRIDOR. NO TIME.

(NYSSA IS LEVERING OUT ONE OF THE ROUNDELS WITH A BLUNT INSTRUMENT. THE CIRCULAR PANEL REMAINS ILLUMINATED AS SHE PUTS IT DOWN.

BEHIND THE ROUNDEL IS A WHITE SPACE, IN THE CENTRE OF WHICH IS A SMALL SILVER POINTER.

NYSSA REACHES OUT AND TOUCHES THE POINTER.

THE CLOISTER BELL STOPS TOLLING)

### 13. INT. THE TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. NO TIME.

(THE DOCTOR HAS BEEN RATTLING OFF RAPID INSTRUCTIONS TO TEGAN WHO IS TAKING NOTES ON A SKETCH PAD)

THE DOCTOR: ... and you'll always find it simpler if you go into hover mode first ...

(HE STOPS IN MID-FLOW, NOTICING THE SILENCE OF THE BELL)

The whole system is on manual now. This is where it gets dangerous.

TEGAN: Not till now!

THE DOCTOR: The temperature will start coming down fairly quickly. But without the stimulus my neuro-peptide level will fall to normal.

TEGAN: Don't worry, Doctor. We'll get you straight back to the Zero Room.

THE DOCTOR: Good. Now, as soon as full console functions are restored you'll be able to reprogramme the Architectural Configuration ... (cont ...)

(THE DOCTOR GETTING UP STIFFLY OUT OF THE WHEELCHAIR)

THE DOCTOR: (cont) I'd better show you.

### 14. INT. A TARDIS CORRIDOR. NO TIME.

(NYSSA HAS TURNED THE POINTER AND THE COLOUR OF THE SPACE BEHIND THE ROUNDEL IS CHANGING GOING DOWN THROUGH THE COLOURS OF THE RAINBOW UNTIL IT IS BLUE.

NYSSA BEGINS TO REPLACE THE PANEL)

## 15. INT. THE TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. NO TIME.

(THE DOCTOR AND TEGAN ARE LEANING OVER THE CONSOLE)

TEGAN: But how will it help to change the Tardis rooms around?

THE DOCTOR: The Architectural Configuration System does more than that. We can actually delete rooms.

TEGAN: Delete them! You mean, just ... zap??

THE DOCTOR: Exactly ... zap. Enough zap, and you'll have your thrust.

(INDICATING THE SWITCHES HE IS TOUCHING)

Now follow this carefully.

TEGAN: You bet your life.

### 16. INT. THE MASTER'S TARDIS. NO TIME.

(THE MASTER IS SMILING. HE TURNS FROM THE SCREEN TOWARDS ADRIC)

MASTER: Perhaps this little demonstration is giving you some glimpse of my real power.

ADRIC: Power you're getting from me ... My computations.

(A SET OF PORTABLE STEPS ROLLS AUTO-MATICALLY FORWARD AND THE MASTER MOUNTS THEM TO PEER CLOSELY INTO ADRIC'S FACE)

MASTER: In part, certainly. Even as an enemy you're useful. But how much more useful as an ally ...

(HE LOOKS INTO
ADRIC'S EYES,
GIVING THE INVITATION
TIME TO SINK IN)

# 17. INT. THE TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. NO TIME.

THE DOCTOR: Have you got that?

TEGAN: (READING HER NOTES)
Yes, we're converting the mass of the deleted Tardis rooms into momentum. I'm not quite sure about momentum.

THE DOCTOR: Mass in motion.
Thrust, if you like. Time for lessons later.

TEGAN: But it means burning up part of the Tardis?

THE DOCTOR: Don't worry, it works. We had to do that once with Adric to get away from ... By the way, where is Adric?

TEGAN: He's ... Adric's ...

THE DOCTOR: Well, where?
... We need him.

NYSSA: It's cooler already, that's something. (cont ...)

(NYSSA'S REAPPEARANCE
AT THAT MOMENT GIVES
TEGAN A SPLIT SECOND
TO THINK. THE TWO
GIRLS EXCHANGE
GLANCES; TEGAN'S
RAISED EYEBROWS ASKING
NYSSA WHETHER SHE
SHOULD TELL THE DOCTOR
ABOUT ADRIC)

NYSSA: (cont) Adric's not here, Doctor ... you see ...

TEGAN: We thought Adric was in the Zero Room ... But ...

(THE DOCTOR HAS NOTICED THE SCREEN. THE STARFIELD IS VISIBLY DENSER)

THE DOCTOR: Tell me later. There's not much time. Once the star-field approaches critical mass we'll be shut into the In-Rush. Where were we ...? Deleting rooms.

NYSSA: But Adric ...

(THE DOCTOR IS
BEGINNING TO LOOK
A LITTLE UNSTEADY
ON HIS FEET. HE
GROPES FOR THE
WHEELCHAIR AND
SITS DOWN)

TEGAN: Are you O.K., Doctor?

NYSSA: (EXPLAINING TO TEGAN) His adrenalin is normalising. It was helping to bridge the synapses.

(DOCTOR SIGNALLING TO TEGAN TO TAKE NOTES)

THE DOCTOR: Sssh ... come on, we've got to finish this. About seventeen thousand tons of thrust. Say twenty-five percent of the Architecture.

TEGAN: A whole quarter of the Tardis!

NYSSA: Which twenty-five
percent, Doctor?

THE DOCTOR: Doesn't matter ...

NYSSA: No it isn't. We don't want to jettison the Console Room.

TEGAN: That's a thought.

(THE DOCTOR APPEARS TO BE DOZING NOW)

Doctor! Please. One last thing ...

(THE DOCTOR OPENS HIS EYES)

THE DOCTOR: Hello.

NYSSA: How do we make sure we don't jettison the Console Room?

THE DOCTOR: Ah, yes ... That's the trouble with manual over-ride ...

NYSSA: What's the problem?

THE DOCTOR: Get K9 to explain it to you. Good luck.

(AND THE DOCTOR CLOSES HIS EYES AGAIN.

TEGAN AND NYSSA LOOK AT THE VIEWER SCREEN. THE STARS ARE CLOSING IN RAPIDLY)

TEGAN: Thanks, Doc. I think we might need it.

### 18. INT. THE MASTER'S TARDIS. NO TIME.

(THE MASTER IS STANDING ON THE STEPS AS BEFORE, LOOKING CLOSELY INTO ADRIC'S EYES)

MASTER: Well, Adric ... This is my proposition. Life will immediately become more comfortable for you if you join forces with me. Or do you prefer to remain in the Web throughout Eternity ... a mere utility.

(ADRIC'S FACE BETRAYS HIS HESITATION AS HE WEIGHS THE TEMPTATION.

THE MASTER CLOSES A SWITCH ON THE CONSOLE)

MASTER: You may speak.

ADRIC: What do you want me

### 19. INT. THE TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. NO TIME.

(WITH THE THERMAL
PROTECTION CIRCUITS
OPERATING, THE SMOKE
HAS ALL DISPERSED
FROM THE ROOM, AND
AN ATMOSPHERE OF
DEADLY STILLNESS PREVAILS,
AS IF THE OCCUPANTS
OF THE TARDIS WERE
CRYSTALLISED IN THIS
FINAL MOMENT OF
THEIR LIVES.

THE DOCTOR SEEMS
ASLEEP IN HIS
WHEELCHAIR, AND THE
TWO GIRLS STAND
MOTIONLESS OVER THE
CONSOLE, THEIR ATTENTION
FOCUSSED ON A SINGLE
BUTTON.

THE VIEWER SCREEN CONTINUES TO SHOW THE STARS CLOSING IN RAPIDLY)

TEGAN: It seems so still now.

NYSSA: We've passed the boundary layer. We're moving straight towards the In-Rush. Thirty-eight seconds.

TEGAN: How can you keep so calm about it ... playing Russian Roulette with the Tardis!

NYSSA: Thirty-one seconds.

TEGAN: If I press that button it could be the Console Room we jettison.

NYSSA: "If"? You taught me something. As a scientist it's easy to be tyrannised by facts.

TEGAN: "If" can work too.
But I didn't know it would be this chancy.

NYSSA:

"if". Because it's still an You have to turn the "if" into a fact.

(SHE LOOKS POINTEDLY AT THE BUTTON)

Five seconds ... four ....

TEGAN: "If" only the old Doctor were here.

(TEGAN SHUTS HER EYES, AND REACHES FOR THE BUTTON)

### 20. EXT. THE TARDIS OUT IN SPACE. NO TIME.

(MODEL SHOT: WE PAN THE TARDIS AS IT RACES ACROSS THE DENSE STARFIELD.

SUDDENLY IT EMANATES A
FLASH OF BRILLIANT
BLUE LIGHT, WHICH
SEEMS TO DRAIN IT
OF COLOUR AND SUBSTANCE,
LEAVING, AS THE
FLASH SUBSIDES, A
GHOSTLY TARDIS IMAGE
CONTINUING ON THE SAME
COURSE.

THE STARS COLLIDE IN A MASSIVE EXPLOSION WHICH WHITES OUT THE SCREEN.

THEN EVERYTHING GOES TO BLACK)

# 21. INT. THE MASTER'S TARDIS. NO TIME.

(THE MASTER IS WATCHING THIS ON THE VIEWER SCREEN.

ADRIC'S EYES EXPRESS HORROR AT WHAT HE SEES.

BUT AS THE MASTER TURNS BACK TO HIM, ADRIC MASKS HIS HORROR WITH A SMILE)

MASTER: So ... this petty feud with the Doctor is over, Adric. You are wise to join me.

ADRIC: You've got to keep your side of the bargain.

(THE MASTER MOUNTS THE STEPS AND PREPARES TO DISCONNECT SOME OF THE THREADS OF THE WEB.

MASTER STRUCK BY A SUDDEN DOUBT)

MASTER: If you are truly sincere?

(PEERING CLOSELY INTO ADRIC'S EYES)

I sense a barrier behind your eyes. You're keeping something from me?

(ADRIC TRIES HARD TO SMILE BACK AT HIM)

ADRIC: How could I?

MASTER: The universe is purged of the Doctor and his impossible dreams of goodness. You and I belong to the future.

ADRIC: The Doctor was doomed, I see that now.

MASTER: He might have escaped from the In-Rush ... yes, even that was possible. But I had in store a trap behind that trap that would have been a joy to spring.

ADRIC: Another trap?

(THE MASTER GOES BACK TO HIS DISCONNECTION OF THE THREADS)

MASTER: A journey back in time ... a long waiting ... Why are you so curious?

(AS THE MASTER TOUCHES ONE OF THE THREADS A SPARK MAKES HIM JUMP BACK WITH SURPRISE)

Residual voltage,

(TURNING BACK TO ADRIC)

You're receiving an image.

(INSET: THE BLANK VIEWER SCREEN.

THE MASTER MOVES SWIFTLY BACK TO THE CONSOLE AND BEGINS TO MANIPULATE LEVERS)

MASTER: What are you concealing from me? Some distant event, beyond the range of my own scanner. I'll burn through your barrier. Bring it to me, Boy. Can it possibly be ...?

(ADRIC SCREWING HIS EYES UP TIGHT)

ADRIC: No ... no:

(BUT THE MASTER'S VOLTAGES ONCE MORE OVERCOME ADRIC'S RESISTANCE.

INSET: THE VIEWER SCREEN. ON IT SLOWLY FORMS THE FAMILIAR SHAPE OF THE TARDIS, SPINNING GENTLY AGAINST A NORMAL STARFIELD)

# 22. INT. THE TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. NO TIME.

(THE DOCTOR APPEARS TO BE ASLEEP IN THE WHEELCHAIR.

TEGAN IS STUDYING THE DATA BANK.

THE TIME ROTA
IS STATIONARY BUT
FLASHING)

TEGAN: (AT THE CONSOLE) All Time Lords regenerate, according to this Data Bank. You'd think there'd be some advice about what to do when it goes wrong ...

NYSSA: We must get him straight back to the Zero Room.

(BUT TEGAN HAS FOUND SOMETHING IN THE DATA BANK)

TEGAN: Wait ... there is something here!

(NYSSA CROSSES TO THE CONSOLE.

TEGAN READING FROM THE SMALL SCREEN)

"Ambient complexity is the cause of many of these failures of Regeneration. Some real locations are known to have properties similar to Zero environments ..." NYSSA: That's it. We need to take him somewhere uncomplicated. Somewhere away from technology.

TEGAN: "Classic plainness of surroundings, as exemplified by regions like the Dwellings of Simplicity ..."

(NYSSA READING OVER HER SHOULDER)

NYSSA: "The Dwellings of Simplicity ... Castrovalva." Where's that?

# 23. EXT. THE TARDIS OUT IN SPACE. NO TIME.

(MODEL SHOT. THE TARDIS HOVERS IN SPACE)

# 24. INT. THE MASTER'S TARDIS. NO TIME.

(THE MASTER IS
WATCHING THIS ON
THE VIEWER. HE
PULLS AT A LEVER
ON HIS CONSOLE, AND
AS THE VOLTAGES
SWELL WE SEE THE
IMMENSE STRAIN ON
ADRIC'S FACE)

MASTER: Closer, Boy. I must see him ... Hear him ...

ADRIC: No! No!

(ADRIC WINS THE FIGHT AGAINST THE MASTER'S VOLTAGES, AND THE IMAGE ON THE SCREEN CRUMBLES AWAY.

AMUSED AT ADRIC'S RESISTANCE, THE MASTER CLOSES A SWITCH, AND THE BOY SLUMPS INTO UNCONSCIOUSNESS)

MASTER: So, Doctor, you have survived ... But at what cost, I wonder ...

#### 25. INT. A TARDIS CORRIDOR. NO TIME.

(THE DOCTOR IS DOZING INERTLY IN THE WHEELCHAIR AS NYSSA WHEELS HIM DOWN THE CORRIDOR.

THE WALLS ARE
MARKED WITH MELTED
LIPSTICK, BUT OTHERWISE
THE TARDIS IS RESTORED
TO NORMAL.

NYSSA PAUSES TO CHECK THE ROUTE, AND THE DOCTOR STIRS, WITHOUT OPENING HIS EYES)

THE DOCTOR: (SAVOURING THE NAME)
Castro ... valva ...

NYSSA: The Data Bank is certain it's the best place to recuperate. It's in Andromeda, a small planet of the Phylox series ...

(THE DOCTOR OPENS HIS EYES)

THE DOCTOR: And how do we get there?

NYSSA: Don't worry, Doctor, Tegan thinks she's learnt how to set the co-ordinates.

### 26. INT. THE TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. NO TIME.

(TEGAN IS ALONE AT THE CONSOLE.

SHE SHUTS HER EYES AND GROPES FOR SOME SWITCHES AT RANDOM)

TEGAN: Castrovalva, here we come ... Please!

(SHE FLICKS SOME SWITCHES. THE TARDIS SUDDENLY BANKS AT AN ANGLE, THROWING HER ACROSS THE ROOM)

# 27. INT. A TARDIS CORRIDOR. NO TIME.

(THE DOCTOR AND NYSSA ARE RECOVERING FROM THE SAME SUDDEN MANOEVRE)

THE DOCTOR: The Air Hostess Person's flying it, eh? Well, I wish her the best of luck.

# 28. INT. THE TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. NO TIME.

(TEGAN PICKS HERSELF UP AND LOOKS IN THE DIRECTION OF THE CONSOLE.

TIME COLUMN IS ALIGHT, AND OSCILLATING)

TEGAN: Well, we're moving.

#### 29. INT. A TARDIS CORRIDOR. NO TIME.

(NYSSA AND THE DOCTOR COME TO THE ZERO ROOM, THE DOORS SLIGHTLY AJAR AS THE DOCTOR LEFT THEM)

NYSSA: We'll soon have you safe ... Here' the Zero Room.

(NYSSA PUSHES THE DOOR OPEN, BUT BEHIND IT IS NOTHING BUT A CONTINUATION OF THE TARDIS WALL. SHE HASTILY OPENS THE OTHER DOOR.

ONLY TO FIND THE SAME THING.

THE DOCTOR'S EYES OPEN WIDE)

THE DOCTOR: Jettisonned!

### 30. INT. THE TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. NO TIME.

(TEGAN IS AT THE CONSOLE, REHEARSING THE LANDING PROCEDURE, WITH CONSTANT REFERENCE TO THE SMALL VIEWER SCREEN OF THE DATA BANK)

TEGAN: (READING FROM THE SCREEN) " ... on zeroing the co-ordinate differential, automatic systems reactivate the real world interface, see Main Door, The, Opening Of ..." There's not very much here about landing procedure ... I hope it's as simple as it seems.

#### 31. INT. A TARDIS CORRIDOR. NO TIME.

(THE DOCTOR IS FUMBLING FOR SOMETHING IN HIS INSIDE COAT POCKET.

HE BRINGS OUT THE SONIC SCREWDRIVER AND HANDS IT TO NYSSA)

THE DOCTOR: Handy little device, the sonic screwdriver. Got me out of a lot of scrapes ...

NYSSA: (TAKING IT) What do I do with this?

THE DOCTOR: Unscrew the door hinges. If you wouldn't mind ...

# 32. INT. THE TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. NO TIME.

(THE MAIN TARDIS
VIEWER SCREEN
SHOWS AN APPROACHING
PLANET. TEGAN WATCHES
IT, HER APPREHENSION
RETURNING)

TEGAN: Castrovalva! Landing procedure ... Here's hoping ...

#### 33. INT. A TARDIS CORRIDOR. NO TIME.

(ONE OF THE ZERO ROOM DOORS IS OFF ITS HINGES AND LEANING AGAINST THE WALL, AND TEGAN IS FINISHING TACKLING THE OTHER ONE)

NYSSA: (AS SHE WORKS) But this won't get us into the Zero Room, Doctor. It's gone. We burnt it up.

(SHE TURNS TO THE DOCTOR, TO FIND THAT HE HAS SLUMPED DOWN IN THE WHEELCHAIR, AND APPEARS TO BE IN A VERY POOR STATE.

SHE GOES TO HIM)

Doctor! Please! What do I do next?

### 34. INT. THE TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. NO TIME.

(TEGAN LOOKS AT THE TIME COLUMN. IT FAS STOPPED MOVING. SHE CHECKS THE VIEWER SCREEN AND NOTICES THE PLANET SUSPENDED BELOW: THE TARDIS APPEARS TO BE HOVERING IN THE AIR.

THE TIME COLUMN IS ALIGHT, BUT STATIONARY)

TEGAN: Hmm ... Well, we can't hang about here all day ...

(SHE APPROACHES THE CONSOLE AND SELECTS ANOTHER LEVER)

### 35. INT. THE CORRIDOR OUTSIDE THE ZERO ROOM. NO TIME.

( NYSSA KNEELS AT THE DOCTOR'S FEET AND LIFTS HIS HEAD.

THE DOCTOR LOOKS TERRIBLE: PALE AND THIN TO THE POINT OF TRANSPARENCY)

NYSSA: There's no way in to the Zero Room, Doctor. It's gone ... What do we do?

(AT THAT MOMENT THE TARDIS GIVES AN ALMIGHTLY LURCH THAT THROWS NYSSA ACROSS THE CORRIDOR AND TOPPLES THE LOOSE ZERO ROOM DOOR, THREATENING TO SLAM DOWN ON THE DOCTOR.

BY A MIRACLE IT HITS
THE WALL ONLY CENTIMETRES
FROM HIS HEAD, SO THAT
THE DOCTOR IS UNDERNEATH
A KIND OF TRIANGULAR
LEAN-TO)

## 36. INT. THE TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. NO TIME.

(THE CONSOLE ROOM IS LEANING OVER AT A CRAZY ANGLE.

TEGAN PICKS HERSELF UP OFF THE FLOOR)

TEGAN: (CAUTIOUSLY)
Touchdown? ... (WITH MORE
CONFIDENCE) We've made it ...
We've made it!

#### 37. INT. THE CORRIDOR OUTSIDE THE ZERO ROOM. NO TIME.

(THE CORRIDOR IS ALSO ANGLED NOW. NYSSA SCRAMBLES TO HER FEET AND MAKES HER WAY BACK TO THE DOCTOR.

THE DOCTOR, PARTIALLY
PROTECTED BY THE DOOR
OVER HIS HEAD, IS STILL
WEAK, BUT VISIBLY
REVIVED)

THE DOCTOR: (DELIGHTED)
Yes, yes, that's the idea.
We'll make our own Zero Room
with what's left.

#### TELECINE 1:

Ext. The Tardis Crash-Landing Area. Day.

Wild shrubland rolls down to a muddy stream. The terrain is strange, untamed, and may be dangerous; but at the moment it is a gentle enough resting place for the battered Tardis and it's occupants.

The Tardis is halfburied in the ground, and tilted over about twenty degrees to the vertical. Luckily the doors open inward, otherwise TEGAN'S struggle to get out would be completely fruitless.

She hauls herself up to ground level.

TEGAN: Not quite up to CAA standard ... but a landing sa landing.

She climbs up onto the roof of the Tardis and surveys the surrounding territory.

TEGAN: Well, Castrovalva can't

She sets off on a recce into the terrain.

END TELECINE 1.

#### 38. INT. A TARDIS CORRIDOR. NO TIME.

(NYSSA HAS PROPPED ONE OF THE TARDIS DOORS ONTO THE WHEELCHAIR, AND IS WHEELING IT DOWN THE CORRIDOR)

#### TELECINE 2:

Ext. Near the Tardis Crash-Landing Area.

Day.

We PAN UP a tree trunk to find TEGAN standing on one of the branches, peering into the distance.

She sees something, and scrambles down.

She begins to run back towards the Tardis.

END TELECINE 2.

#### 39. INT. THE TARDIS CONSOLE ROOM. NO TIME.

(THE ION BONDER NYSSA BROUGHT FROM TRAKEN IS BURNING A CUTTING LINE INTO PART OF THE ZERO ROOM DOOR.

WE WIDEN TO DISCOVER THAT THE SECTION OF DOOR SHE IS WORKING ON IS PROPPED AGAINST THE CONSOLE.

THE WHOLE CONSOLE ROOM IS LEANING OVER AT AN ANGLE TO MATCH THE EXTERIOR VIEW WE HAVE ALREADY SEEN.

THE DOCTOR IS LAID OUT IN A PARTIALLY CONSTRUCTED BOX MADE OUT OF SECTIONS OF THE DOOR THAT NYSSA HAS ALREADY WELDED TOGETHER.

SHE TAKES THE PIECE SHE HAS JUST CUT AND TESTS IT FOR SIZE. IT FORMS ONE SIDE OF THE BOX)

NYSSA: It looks very small, Doctor.

(THE DOCTOR WITHOUT OPENING HIS EYES)

THE DOCTOR: And unlike the Tardis ... it is very small.

(TEGAN BOUNCES IN, FULL OF CONFIDENCE)

TEGAN: Not far to go, anyway.

NYSSA: You've seen it?

TEGAN: It's an afternoon's walk from here. More or less.

 $\underline{\text{NYSSA:}}$  We've got to carry the Doctor, don't forget.

THE DOCTOR: Just the Zero Cabinet.

TEGAN: What?

THE DOCTOR: You won't feel my weight. I'll make it easy for you. I'll be levitating.

#### TELECINE 3:

a) Ext. The Tardis Crash Landing Area. Day.

The wheelchair is out on the grass.

NYSSA has changed her clothes from skirt to trousers.

She and TEGAN are carrying the complete Zero Cabinet out of the Tardis, and it seems to be as light as air.

TEGAN takes in NYSSA's new costume.

TEGAN: That's much better.

 $\underline{\text{NYSSA:}}$  There's a whole room full of clothes, if you want to change.

TEGAN: No, we should make a start. (SHE POINTS UPSTREAM) It's that way.

NYSSA: I still say we should get help from Castrovalva.

TEGAN: Why? He's no problem while he's levitating. (cont ...)

She indicates the wheelchair.

TEGAN: (cont) And we can roll him along on that.

As they carry him towards the wheel-chair, the DOCTOR suddenly becomes his real weight.

The TWO GIRLS gasp and almost drop him.

They lower him to the ground.

NYSSA: Doctor ...? What happened.

The lid of the Cabinet slides open a little way.

THE DOCTOR: (WEAKLY) Sorry ... Lost concentration for a moment. Very tired.

NYSSA: (TO TEGAN) I really think we should get help.

But the DOCTOR catches the aside.

THE DOCTOR: Please ... There's not much time ...

NYSSA starts to put the lid back, but the DOCTOR'S HAND reaches for her and pulls her down to him.

THE DOCTOR: (WHISPERING)
Thank you ...

NYSSA and TEGAN put the lid back into place. The Zero Cabinet has become light again, and the GIRLS easily lift it onto the wheelchair.

TEGAN: Well done, Doctor.

They start the wheelchair and begin to move towards the stream.

### b) Ext. Near Stream. Day.

A MONTAGE OF SHOTS as the GIRLS cope easily with the first leg of their journey. The sunshine and mild air are dispelling the accumulated claustrophobia of the Tardis, and the motorised wheelchair is making the transport of the DOCTOR a very simple procedure.

#### c) Ext. Near The Stream. Day.

TEGAN points diagonally across the stream.

TEGAN: I definitely saw it. More that way. I think.

The GIRLS have difficulty with the chair as they move down the bank to the stream.

NYSSA: He seems to be getting a bit heavier.

TEGAN: Can't be.

But the wheelchair with its weight has become harder to control, and it begins to drag them down the slope.

TEGAN: You're right! Come on, Doctor help us to help you. (cont...)

The GIRLS grab at the wheelchair, and manage to turn it round so that it races backwards down the slope, leaving them holding the Zero Cabinet.

The wheelchair crashes into the stream.

TEGAN stays at the top of the slope with the Cabinet as NYSSA runs down to get the chair.

The wheelchair lies broken in the stream.

NYSSA runs in towards it, and trips and falls into the stream.

### d) Ext. The Other Side of the Stream. Day.

TEGAN is lying on her stomach, drinking at the stream. The Zero Cabinet is in the long grass beside her. She sits up and mops her mouth with a tissue.

TEGAN: (cont) Are you sure I can't give you a hand?

The wheelchair is on its side, one wheel removed and lying on the grass.

NYSSA, still damp from her rescue effort, is spinning the other badly warped wheel.

NYSSA: This is going to take a bit of molecular adjustment. (cont ...)

She produces her Ion Bonder from her tunic and point it at the wheel. Nothing happens. She opens it up and a trickle of water comes out.

From the cover of a bush a HAND moves into SHOT to part the foliage, and we are aware of some creature as yet unseen watching the GIRLS.

The unseen shape moves off from its vigil and disappears into the wood.

When we return to the scene, the GIRLS have already moved off into the distance carrying the Zero Cabinet. In the foreground is the abandoned wheel-chair, its one warped wheel still spinning sadly.

#### e) Ext. In the Wood. Day.

TEGAN and NYSSA are carrying the Zero Cabinet through snagging weeds now, and the strain is beginning to show.

NYSSA: Are you sure this is the right way?

TEGAN: It had better be!
You know ... This thing is
still getting heavier. (cont...)

The wood echoes to the call of exotic birds.

We follow NYSSA and TEGAN through a SERIES OF DISSOLVES as they struggle deeper into the wood, carrying the Cabinet.

There is no path, and the wood seems to close in around them. Brambles and thorn-bushes catch at their clothes, and the ground beneath their feet has become muddy and uncertain. And the Cabinet is definitely hard to carry now.

#### f) Ext. At the Edge of the Wood. Day.

The GIRLS still seem to be in the thick of the foliage, although the ground is drier here.

The Cabinet is very heavy now, and TEGAN and NYSSA are obviously lost.

TEGAN: (cont) The old Doc's levitating is certainly wearing very thin.

They put the Cabinet down.

NYSSA: He's lost his concentration again. If we don't find Castrovalva soon ...

She kneels by the Cabinet.

NYSSA: Doctor ...

TEGAN: Should we take a peek at him?

NYSSA: Nothing can open this Cabinet unless the Doctor wants it opened. The internal interfaces are fused by Strong Force interaction, and ...

TEGAN: Look! (cont ...)

TEGAN has reached up and pulled the foliage aside.

NYSSA follows her gaze and sees:

INSET: Beyond and above the wood, white rocks rise up to a summit fringed with walls and turrets fluttering with coloured flags.

TEGAN: (cont) Castrovalva!

g) Ext. At the Edge of the Wood. Day.

A trail of broken foliage and ground scarred by something very heavy being dragged across it leads us to:

NYSSA finishing camouflaging the Cabinet with bracken and branches.

TEGAN is impatient to be off.

TEGAN: Never mind that. We've got to get help.

NYSSA puts the finishing touches to the camouflage.

NYSSA: Just in case ...

TEGAN: Come on. It'll be night before we know it.

As the TWO GIRLS move off the foliage near us parts, and we become aware of the shape of a CREATURE watching them go.

The unseen being turns, and moves off into the undergrowth.

h) Ext. A Narrow Path The Rocks. Day. NYSSA and TEGAN are climbing up the chalky hillside. They pause to look upwards along the path they are following. It leads round the hill and out of sight.

NYSSA: Still no way in.

They continue on their way.

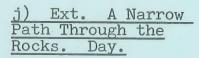
<u>i)</u> Ext. At the Edge of the Wood. Day.

TWO SHAPES are watching through the foliage. We hear a whispering voice.

RUTHER: And this is where you saw them? Mergrave must be told of this.

As the SHOT WIDENS we see two humanoid forms, gaudily dressed in what looks like elaborate war attire, with tall masks that give them a fearsome appearence. We sense the presence of other similarly dressed warriors around them.

Unnoticed by the WARRIORS, beneath the heap of branches and bracken, the lid of the Zero Cabinet opens slightly, and we catch the twinkle of the DOCTOR'S attentive eye.



The cliff path is steep now; and it peters out.

TEGAN looks down, and quickly steps back from the giddy view.

TEGAN: Castrovalva's harder to get into than the Doctor's Cabinet.

NYSSA: Perhaps we should go back there. We might be able to wake him.

TEGAN: How ... if we can't get to him?

NYSSA: We'll have to think of something. But it does seem the only way.

### k) Ext. At the Edge of the Wood. Day.

NYSSA and TEGAN return worn out from their fruitless expedition.

NYSSA approaches the Cabinet, and begins to pull off the camouflage. But TEGAN has stopped a little way off, her eye caught by something on the ground.

NYSSA kneeling by the Cabinet.

NYSSA: Doctor? We've arrived,
but we don't know ...



NYSSA breaks off. She has touched the lid, and it wobbles slightly.

TEGAN is examining the grass.

She brings her hand up, and we see a red stain on her fingers.

TEGAN: Blood!

NYSSA meanwhile has slid back the lid of the Zero Cabinet and is staring into:

The empty interior of the Cabinet.

NYSSA: He's gone! The Doctor's gone.

END TELECINE 3.

TELECINE 35mm

SUPOSE CAM

Closing Titles:

END TELECINE 35mm

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